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#### TUS DELEGATIONS

Paolo Pescetti, IUS Deputy General Secretary and Konstantin Telalov, Head of the ECTD, represented the IUS at the Executive Committee Meeting of the World Federation of Democratic Youth held in Finland last month. The meeting dealt with preparations for the IVth World Festival of Youth and Students and the IIIrd World Youth Congress. Jacques Denis, General Secretary of WFDY devoted his report to the Latter, scheduled to open on July 25th in Bucharest, prior to the Festival. The Congress will emphasise the work of youth organisations to safeguard peace and defend the rights of the young generation.

An IUS delegation, led by Lionel Soto /Cuba/, attended the Women's World Congress in Copenhagen, Denmark, from June 5th to 10th.

#### ORDER YOUR COPY NOW! WSN SPECIAL FESTIVAL NUMBER

In honour of the IVth World Festival of Youth and Students for Peace and Friendship, a special number of WORLD STUDENT NEWS is to be published containing 40 pages of student news, articles, photos, inter - views, on many varied topics. WSN 7-8, will contain all the usual sections normally to be found in the magazine plus full reports on preparations for the IIIrd World Student Congress and a last minute preview of student activity on the eve of the Festival

Order your copy of WSN now - distribute your magazine among fellow students - send all comments and suggestions to the editorial board.



THE IUS INVITES YOU TO

THE IIIRD WORLD STUDENT CONGRESS

From 27th August to 3rd September in

#### WARSAW

Statue of N. Copernic at the entrance to the Polish Academy of Sciences.

Commemorations of the 470th anniversary of the death of this great Polish scientist were held in Poland and many other countries of the world last month.

Since the special Congress Bulletin contains all the news of Congress preparations, News Service is carrying just a rew of the highlights for your information.

The IUS has invited UNEF/French NUS/ to send representatives to Prague to discuss the question of participation in the Congress. The Union des Grandes Ecoles has written to the IUS that it will send two representatives to Congress. The letter stresses that the Union expects Congress to provide the opportunity for cultural and technical exchanges and urges that there should be an opportunity for engineering students at Congress to meet and discuss questions that interest them particularly.

The director of the Youth Ballet in Brazil, Mr. S.W. Ribeiro, has thanked the IUS for its invitation to participate in the cultural programmes at both the Festival and Congress and promised to do everything possible to bring the company to Europe for these events.

The Association of Students from the West Indies and Guiana studying in France, intends to affiliate to the IUS at the Congress. This is only one of the many decisions taken by these students at their Congress in Bordeaux, which warmly approved the initiative in calling the Congress and Festival.

The Congress of University Students of Genoa has recommended that UNURI/Italian NUS/ "facilitate the sending of observers to Congress" and several student editors from Milan have written requesting that IUS send more material on student events at the Festival and the Congress programme.

WRITE TO THE IUS FOR FREE COPIES OF THE FORTNIGHTLY CONGRESS BULLETIN AND KEEP INFORMED ON CONGRESS PREPARATIONS!

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### IUS INVITES YOU

to the
IVth WORLD FESTIVAL OF YOUTH AND STUDENTS FOR
PEACE AND FRIENDSHIP

Bucharest, Rumania August 2-16th

Convinced that "the gathering in Bucharest can become a step on the road to a lasting peace", 4 student and youth leaders in Aarhus, DENMARK, have recommended broad participation in the Festival in Bucharest. The statement issued by the presidents of the Conservative Youth, Liberal Students and Left Youth of that city and a member of the editorial board of the "Tidens Tanker", particularly urged that young people who support and believe that the government's policy in the field of foreign affairs and defense is designed to ensure peace and freedom, should use this unique opportunity to exchange views with youth of other countries, especially those who live under different social systems, "thereby contributing to the creation of greater understanding between peoples".

To popularise both the Festival and Student Congress, a National Preparatory Committee of BURMA has been set up to coordinate the work of youth and students organisations in the election of delegations to the Festival and Congress, which are expected to leave Rangoon early in July. The committee has also undertaken the task of preparing the IInd National Festival of Youth and Students whose object will be to "inculcate the spirit of friendship and unity among young people for peace and a better future".

An invitation to spend their summer vacation during festival time in RUMANIA has been extended to 65 students from eight countries by the UTM, Rumanian youth organisation, through the IUS. Guests will be invited from France, Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Belgium, Italy, England and Germany. The invitation reads: "We are convinced that this visit will constitute a fine occasion to strengthen international student solidarity in the struggle for peace and a democratic education".

Great interest is being shown in the Festival inlocal unions throughout ENGLAND. In Leeds University, 10 societies have elected three students to represent them at the Festival. They include the Student Christian Movement, the Anglican Society, the Labour Society, Peace Society, and others. Miss Margaret Grey has written to the IUS on behalf of these societies urging that Leeds representative should be given opportunities to meet students from other countries and to learn something of the life of the Rumanian people. The IUS has received a letter from the Vice President of the London School of Economics Union stating that a rowing four from the college is planning to participate in the Festival sports events. London dramatic students are planning to present a mime in the traditional English style during the Festival cultural programmes. Festival Committees have been established in many English Universities, including Oxford and Manchester. The film of the last festival has been shown in many colleges throughout the country. IUS Festival posters have been widely displayed in English colleges and the Festival newspaper distributed.



Dancers from Panama

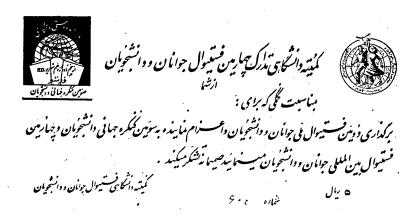
Dancers of the tamborito, punto, bamboreras and zapateo; performers of folk music and sportsmen, especially swimmers are expected to make up the delegation to the Festival from PAN-AMA, it was announced by the recently formed Initiating Committee for the Festival, organised with the active support of the Federation of Students of Panama.

Evelyn Townsend of Saskatchewan University, executive member of four different student organisations on that campus, and Eric Balir of St. Catherine's, Ontario, who has been a member of four CANADIAN championship rowing teams are amongst the Canadian student leaders sponsoring the Festival. In a press release issued by the Canadian Youth Festival Committee, Evelyn Townsend made the following statement on her reasons for supporting the Festival: "Because I feel that world peace can only be won by exploring the areas in which we have agreement, I welcome the chance for young people to meet at the IVth World Youth Festival. I hope that students from all over the world will get to know one another and will leave with many new friends. For this reason I am glad to be one of the students across Canada to wish the Festival every success".

FRANCE-The Festival Committee of the Latin Quarter, in Paris, has undertaken the task of stimulating the establishment of local committees in all secondary and righer schools and faculties of Paris to send student representatives to Bucharest.

"In order to promote the student movement for the World Festival, the Federation of University Students of ECUADOR has taken the initiative to form a Local Committee", says a letter addressed to the President of the IUS. Leaders and delegates of various youth and student organisations met in Quito and appointed a committee headed by Doctor Antonio Canadas, president of the University Sports League. The letter relates that all the members of the Committee "expressed their thanks" on being chosen and promised to work hard to make the Festival in Bucharest a success, "where young people from the whole world will come together for peace".

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### SOLIDARITY FUND

The students of Teheran University, IRAN, have issued donation vouchers in several denominations to be sold publicly to raise money for the Festival and Congress this summer. We are reprinting a copy of one of them above, with the following message:

The University Preparatory Committee for the IVth World Festival of Youth and Students sincerely thanks you for your assistance in helping to celebrate the IInd National Festival of Youth and Students and sending representatives to the IIIrd World Student Congress and the IVth World Festival of Youth and Students.

University Preparatory Committee for the Festival of Youth and Students.

The University Artistic Ensemble, State Prize winners and CZECHOSLOVAKIA's cultural ambassadors at the Berlin Festival in 1951, have pledged to donate one third of their concert earnings to the Solidarity Fund being raised to help young people, especially those from colonial and dependent countries, to attend the Festival. They have promised to include newly composed student songs in their repertoire to publicise the Festival in their own country.

# AROUND THE WORLD

## IUS GREETS CONGRESS OF JAPANESE STUDENTS

On the occasion of the 6th Congress of the All Japan Federation of Student Autonomies, which met in Tokyo from 11-19th June, the IUS sent a message expressing its conviction that the Federation would "further unite the students and consolidate the organisation of Japanese students around its democratic constitution, and evolve a programme reflecting the interests of all students, thus neutralising any tendency working against the unity of the student movement in Japan". The IUS has also sent a 16 mm. film projector to the Japanese students.

### SING OUT!

The student choir at the 9th of October Secondary school in Machala, Ecuador has established a rule that whenever it appears at any occasion, festive or solemn, its opening songis the IUS Student Hymn. This precedent, it is expected, will continue in the future and be taken up by other choirs as well. The director of the choir has asked for other IUS songs to be included in the group's repertoire.

## ITALIAN STUDENTS WANT STUDY CENTRES, NOT BASES

The National Union of Italian Students/UNURI/ at its Council meeting in Rome, from May 10-12, unanimously passed a resolution demanding that the estate of Santa Anna, one of the residences of the former kings, in Pisa, be turned over to the University of that city to be used as an experimental centre for agro-biology and the study of nuclear physics. The resolution was adopted to prevent the Italian governor of the province from ceding this important locality to the commender of the North American military forces in Italy for the establishment of an air base.

# 30,000 MOSCOW HIGHER SCHOOL STUDENTS GRADUATE THIS SPRING

Altogether there will be more than 30,000 students from all the Moscow higher educational establishments graduating at the end of this semester. More than 2,000 young historians, philosophers, jurists, mathematicians and geologists of 43 nationalities will finish their studies at the Moscow Lomonosov State University, the largest in the Soviet Union, this spring.

# ONE SCHOLARSHIP 125L., ONE TEXTBOOK 30L. FOR TURKISH STUDENTS

Despite the high cost of textbooks, 30 liras for a medical and 15 liras for a law book, the Turkish government cut schelarships at universities to 125 liras monthly. Reduced to such conditions in hostels, where 150 students are forced to use one water tap, still there are many students who are on the verge of being thrown out for non-payment of rent. University fees have been increased to such an extent that hundreds of students were unable to register and pay the examination fee.

In spite of the illiteracy figure of 75.6% in the country, graduates are finding difficulty getting jobs. The Istanbul daily, "Dunya" reports that there are 700 graduates of the Faculty of Literature who are waiting for teaching posts in elementary and secondary schools. If they succeed in finding a job their maximum salary would be 200 liras a month.

## GAMBIA STUDENTS FORM UNION

The chairman of the recently formed Gambia Student s Union, Mr.H.L.O.George, in announcing the purpose of theorganisation stated that "as the number of students coming from Gambia to England/ increased, it became more and more necessary to promote the welfare of Gambians in association with other West African students studying abroad".

# RACE BAITING, WAR MONGERING BLASTED BY FRENCH STUDENTS

A communique condemning the resurgence of racebaiting and war-mongering and a reaffirmation of the defense of liberty and human rights, was issued on the 8th Anniversary of V-E Day/Victory in Europe/at Sorbonne University in Paris. The communique was approved by all the organisations present, including UNEF/French NUS/, Socialist and Communist groups, the Jewish students organisation, the peace council, M.R.P. representatives, Young Catholic Students and others.

# MAINTAIN RELATIONS WITH IUS, SAY AUSTRALIAN STUDENTS

The Guild Council, official organisation of the students of Perth University has rejected by more than a three to one majority a motion that NUAUS/Australian NUS/ should cease sending representatives to IUS meetings. In the debate, speakers emphasised the links with other students, especially in S.W. Asia and colonial countries, which they could maintain through their relations with IUS.

## CHICAGO U. HOLDS SIT DOWN STRIKE

A one hour sit-down protest was staged by University of Chicago students against the proposal to abandon the "Hutchins Plan" under which students have been able to complete two years of secondary school and four years of college in four years. Student leaders spoke at the steps of the University Administration Building and handbills were distributed, reports the "New York Times".

# SECONDARY STUDENTS FIRST NATIONAL FESTIVAL IN ITALY

The First National Festival of Italian Secondary school students will be organised from July 1st to 5th in Forte dei Marmi, one of the most attractive resort places in the country. Students will be accommodated in modern, comfortable hotels and a full programme of cultural, hiking, sports and recreational events is being planned.

## ELECTION APPEAL AT BEYROUTH UNIVERSITY

In calling for a united front of students of all political opinions, the Arabic students at the American University in Beyrouth, Lebanon, have drawn up an election appeal that contains the following points: the right to democratic and political liberties, the restoration of the Student Council, the struggle of the Arabic countries for independence and a true national culture, against the Middle East Command, the demand for a national university, universal free education and strengthening contact with fellow students at both the Student Congress and Youth Festival of Arabic countries.

# WILL NOT ENGAGE IN AGRESSIVE WAR, JAPANESE STUDENTS

Japanese students "will not engage in any aggressive war" but will "continue to struggle in defense of world and Asian peace, national independence, democracy and freedom" says a

letter sent by the Federation of All Japanese Student Autonomies to the All China Student Federation. This follows a contribution of 112 million yuan, collected from Chinese students, for the welfare fund of the 1953 Japanese college graudates. In the letter accompanying the donation, the Chinese students had expressed their sympathy for the plight of their Japanese colleagues, many of whom were facing unemployment. The Japanese students telegraphed thanks and promised "to intensify our struggle for peace in answer to your encouragement".

# STUDENTS PROTEST IMPENDING ROSENBERG EXECUTION

"We demand that the President of the United States grant clemency to Ethel and Julius Rosenber", states a petition sent to the US Ambassador in France by students of the Teachers' Training College of Saint Cloud, near Paris. The Committee in Defense of Liberties circulated the petition and of the 109 persons approached only 4 refused to sign. The petition also points to the new evidence disclosed by the Greenglass manuscript and the need for a reconsideration of the sentence on the basis of this and other convincing documents.

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## FROM THE STUDENT PRESS

## FIRST BRITISH UNIV. BASKETBALL TEAM IN ITALY

The visit of the Leeds University team, the first British University team ever to play basketball in Italy, aroused much interest in the local press, says "Union News", the student newspaper at Leeds. After being roundly defeated in three games, Leeds finally pulled through with a 70 all against the University of Pisa who had been the Italian Universities Champion in 1952. The article, in explaining the reason for the team's poor showing complains of their lack of a regulation—size court, competent coaching and a reasonable amount of practice time and adds that given such facilities the team "could undoubtedly defeat any Continental University Club".

## S. AFRICAN STUDENTS OPPOSE SEGREGATION AT ARTS FESTIVAL

The Executive Committee of Arts Festival, annual cultural review of Witwatersrand University students, has cancelled its plans to hold this event in the Great Hall because of a ruling by the University authorities enforcing colour-bar seating for the first time in the history of the university.

The University SRC has withdrawn its financial support for the Festival as a result of this measure.



/See story on segregation at Arts Festival in South Africa/

A statement of policy issued by Arts Festival Executive declares: "We maintain that neither creative enterprise nor the appreciation thereof, is confined to members of any special race, colour or creed.... It would be incompatible with any universal conception of Art to attempt to represent the culture of a country to a limited section of its population".

"Wits", the university student newspaper, prominently tures the entire statement of the Arts Festival E.C. and in its editorial states: "We congratulate Arts Festival and the University for their decisions in support of the SiR.C. boycott of separate seating in the Great Hall, despite the financial and other inconveniences incurred. A fine stand - on a great principle!"

#### IN THE IUS DEPARTMENTS

## Student Needs and Welfare

To provide discussion material for some of the Commissions at the IIIrd World Student Congress, the SNWD is getting ready issue No. 1 of a special bulletin of some 40 odd pages with extracts and information on student conditions in parts of the world. Some of the material contained in this publication, to be sent out shortly, includes:
1. Introduction to the report of Langevin Wallon, noted French

educator, on educational reform.

2. Manifesto issued by engineering students in Brazil on reform of education.

3. The fight against illiteracy in Viet Nam.

4. Conditions of Tunisian students.
5. The gemand or the Scottish Union of Students for better conditions.

- 6. An inquiry into student conditions in West Bengal, India. 7. The work of the student TB sanatorium in Bulgaria.
- 8. The budget of a Soviet student.

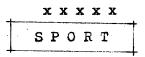
### Physical Education and Sports

The NUS of Finland /SYL/ and the nationwide student sport organisation SAUL, have indicated great interest in the IUS proposal to organise the World University Summer Games in their country in 1954. A delegation of representatives from both these organisations is expected in Prague shortly to meet with members of the IUS Secretariat and the PESD to discuss this proposal.

#### Press and Information

This week PID sent out a leaflet on the forthcoming IIIrd World Student Congress in English, French and Spanish, as well as a colour poster on the Friendly sport competitions to be held during Congress. The latter was issued in five languages - English, French, Spanish, Italian and Norwegian. If you haven't received your copies as yet or if you need more to hang up on bulletin and notice boards, in dining halls, and common rooms, recreation centres and gymnasium locker halls, or wherever else you think it might attract the attention of your fellow students, write to the PID.

For all delegates, observers, visitors and guests of the IIIrd World Student Congress, the PID is preparing a special momento folder which will contain all the issues of the Congress daily newspaper, to be published during the sessions. At the moment this department is mobilising a staff of journalists and technical workers to make sure that everyone gets complete coverage and a full day-to-day picture of what's going on.







DUTCH SECONDARY SCHOOL STU-DENTS WIN IUS SPORT BADGES

The first volleyball and basketball tournament for students of secondary schools in Holland was organised by the Amsterdam section of the Organisation Van Progressieve Studerende Jeuge/OPSJ/ in April. 20 schools with 45 teams competed in this successful tournament and IUS sport badges were awarded to the winners.

# Do you Read

# World Student News?

WORLD STUDENT NEWS is published monthly by the International Union of Students in Arabic, English, French, German, Italian, Norwegian, Russian, and Spanish.

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LANGUAGE	GREENWICH MEAN TIME	KILOCYCLES	WAVE LENGTH
[Monday, Prague]			
ENGLISH	19.00 - 19.15	9,504 kc/s	31.57 m
FRENCH	19.00 - 19.15	1,286 kc/s	233.30 m
ITALIAN	22.00 - 22.15	1,232 kc/s	
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[Tuesday, Sofia]	<b>.</b> .		
TURKISH	04.00 - 04.15	593 kc/s	506 m
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- (Stalin)		1,224 kc/s 1,124 kc/s	245 m
GREEK	04.15 - 04.30		267 m
	01.15 - 01.50	593 kc/s	506 m
SERBO-CROAT	21.15-21.45	7,670 kc/s	39.11 m
MACEDONIAN	21.15-21.45	6,070 kc/s 7,670 kc/s	49.42 m
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